



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5452***

LCO No. 1950

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE SERVICES ON A TEMPORARY BASIS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) The Commissioner of  
2       Public Health may issue an order to temporarily suspend, for an  
3       aggregate period not to exceed thirty days, the requirements for  
4       licensure, certification or registration, pursuant to chapters 368d, 370,  
5       372, 373, 375, 376, 376c, 378, 378a, 379, 380, 381, 381a, 383 to 383c,  
6       inclusive, 384a and 384d, to allow persons who are appropriately  
7       licensed, certified or registered in another state or territory of the  
8       United States or the District of Columbia, to render temporary  
9       assistance within the scope of the profession for which a person is  
10      licensed, certified or registered, when such temporary assistance is  
11      voluntarily rendered in association with: (1) A free clinic or other  
12      similar charitable medical event that provides health care services to  
13      persons at no cost; or (2) the Special Olympics or other similar athletic  
14      competition held in the state that attracts a large number of out-of-  
15      state participants. Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit  
16      a person to provide temporary assistance beyond the scope allowed in

17 any chapter specified in this section that pertains to such person's  
18 profession. The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt such  
19 temporary policies and procedures as the commissioner deems  
20 necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of persons receiving such  
21 temporary assistance. Any policies and procedures adopted by the  
22 commissioner in accordance with this section shall be provided to the  
23 event organizer and posted on the department's web site not later than  
24 seven days prior to the start of the event.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To encourage the provision of charitable medical care at events held throughout the state by allowing the Commissioner of Public Health to temporarily suspend licensure, certification and registration requirements that would otherwise be applicable to health care professionals volunteering their services at such events.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*